TRIUMPH IN FIVE DAYS MAKES IT TWENTY-FOUR VICTORIES FOR GREAT ALEXANDER

EX BREAKS THE POLO GROUNDS' TINX AND CAPTURES FIRST GAME AT GIANTS' HOME IN TWO YEARS

ores First Triumph Over Leaders in New York Since September, 1915, and His Initial Win Since August 14, 1916

LEXANDER the Great turned in his third triamph in five days when he humbled the Glants at the Polo Grounds yesterday. The victory wasn't so rtant in itself, as it is not likely to have any effect in deciding the pennant but it means much to Alex. On Thursday it will be recalled the Phila disd the Polo Grounds finx and won a game for the first time since July 1. 16. Yesterday Alex furned in his first win over the New Yorkers since August , 1916, when he lowered their colors at the Phils' Park, scoring a three-hit out. It also marked his first relumph on the Polo Grounds since September. 1915. Twice last year and thrice this senson the great pitcher was shelled from mound as a result of the severe cannonading. The New York aggregation in the one club in the National League that can hit him and hit him hard. This as evident yesterday when they nicked his slants for eleven hits, but in the pinches he was unhittable.

Alex now leads the league in games won, with twenty-four; Toney is redited with one less. Many were of the impression that Alex would be called on to work in the second game of the twin engagement, for it was apparent that the Phil star was not working hard in the Erri games fie cased up at every opportunity and only put the "stuff" on the ball when men were an bases would have been some brilliant accomplishment to have turned back the bard bitting Giants in two games on the same afternoon; and Alex, gather fellow that he b, unhesitatingly would have gone to the neural is at your unit given the work

The wonder pitcher was given a lead early and and halve-fun tearnin to work on for two innings. The leaders did not count health the both and thou the heat they could get was one run. It was noticeable that one man, always a see to set Alex effectively, went hitless-that was Davy Robertson, who finded as from

RIXEY twirled fine ball in the second same and only for a wild throw by Catcher Adams he had a chance to win in nine limings. With Rariden on third base, Burns walked. Burns sparsed for second and Adams promptly threw to center. Barrier scored and Barres made third. He scored easily on Kauff's hit. Thus went the Vallet chances in the

Accuse Tigers and Browns of "Lying Down" to White Sox

THE victorious march of the White Sox toward the pennant, ever rince the eastern teams have deserted the West, has brought forth much enthusen against the St. Louis and Detroit clubs. Some even have gone so for as to accuse the two teams of "lying down" to the White Sox so as to assure the West of a world's series representative. The White Sox boosted their lead from two to seven games while performing against the Tigers and Drowns and the meantime the Boston champions were meeting the stiffest kind of opeition against the Yankess, the latter taking three out of four minnes in two days. This setback for the Red Sox while the White Sox were breezing forward with express train speed was the cause of the criticism.

Phil Ball, owner of the St. Louis club, created a sensation when he made the declaration at the end of the series with the Red Sox that his team was not putting forth its best efforts and that for every \$1000 lost by his club during the season it would cost each of the players \$100. He accused the Browns of Tying down" because they distiked Manager Fielder Jones, Manager Rowland, of the White Sox, replied to the accusation with "Mr. Ball's charges that his players deliberately laid down is the most serious accusation I ever heard coming from

E. A. Batchelor, of the Detroit Free Press, insists that the charges against the Tigers are unfair and unwarranted. Says Batchelor: "It was to be expected on this season's dope that Detroit would win more than one of the four games, for Chicago had won ten out of fifteen games played previous to the series. In one of the games that Detroit won the Sox virtually threw away the contest by bone-headed work in the field. The Jungaleers certainly gave a disgraceful exhition in the four jousts on the South Side grounds, but they did not deserve the additional stigma of being accused of 'lying down."

SUCH charges as these made against the Tigers and Frewns near the close of a pennant race are not the less thing for baseball. The White Sox have a much better team than the Browns or Tixers and on the dope should have taken both series. It sow is up to Ban Johnson to make Owner Ball explain. It is the charges made by the awner of the Browns

Charleston Has the Ty Cobb of the Bushes

WE HAVE heard of many unusual plays in baseball and when Ty Cobe is seen in a critical series anything is likely to happen. But for the play that has na calling for help we refer you to a game that was played recently in Charleston, W. Va. There they boast of a youth greater han the wonderful Tyrus and if this same Charleston celebrity could get away with the same "stuff" in the blc league then the crown would be placed upon his head. The following is taken from a Charleston daily:

"Robert Cropp, local outfielder, rounding third in the eighth in the ball coming from first base would beat him to the plate. He looked up, saw the umpire was not looking in his direction, and then pulled probably the most amazing and nerviest play in the history of semiprofessional baseball. He deliberately walked out of the base line and hid behind a group of spectators who were standing more than fifteen feet back of third base,

"Upon receiving the ball the visiting catcher looked around for Croup, but naw no one. He was convinced that a man had been coming home from third but guessed maybe it was heat that was affecting him. He then hurled the bail to ad to catch Stull, who was off the bag, but the throw went wild. Cropp then emerged from his hiding place and scored. The visitors raised a bowl on the umpire's decision, but as the latter had not seen Cropp out of the baseline he refused to make a reversal."

THIS would be a fine play to introduce into big league circles, only we realize that the Charleston Cobb would have a difficult time to hide behind the crowd. The ground rules would be against him and it is some sprint from the baseline to the stands. Again, big league umpires would not admit they didn't see the play. They'd call the runner out by doing a Sherlock Holmes and trace his route by his spike prints.

Early Jump Is Important in Baseball

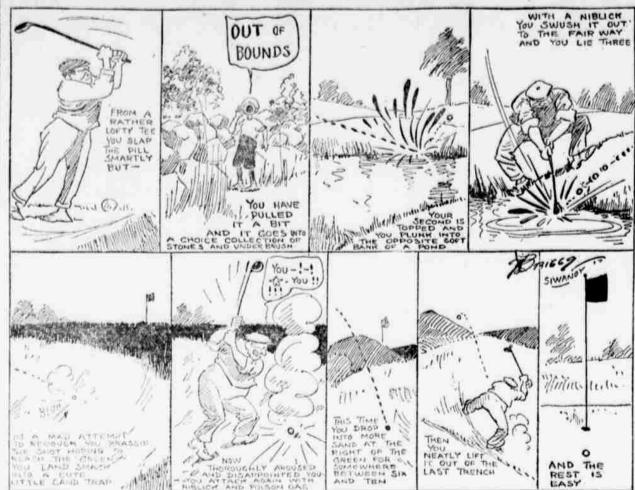
THE importance of getting the jump in the early stages of a pennant race was never brought out more strongly than it has been in the major leagues this season. A well-known writer of baseball recently said that in his colution the best team in the American League will not be the pennant winner this year, He pointed out that the driving power of the Detroit Tigers, in August, was greater than that of either the Boston or Chicago team, and that the punch of the Cincinnati Reds and St. Louis Cardinals, late in the race, was at least the equal of the Glants. Suppose that Hughle Jennings had started off in the race in the junior major circuit with well-balanced pitching. What would have been the result? If the playing of the Detroit club in August can be taken as a one, the Tigers might have been a mathematical cinch for the rag by the first of September. Much the same may be said of the Cleveland Indians. Lee Fond's team has been hard to beat all year, but because it falled to present a well-balanced attack from the start, its midseason successes availed nothing in the way of making it a pennant contender, though Cleveland is assured of a finish among

The Giants, on paper, are the class of their league, and on the field of play they have proved it once again. But suppose the men of McGraw had wavered in the early stages of the race while the Reds. Cardinals or Phillies were acting pacemakers in the matter of piling up percentage. Would the Giants be here they stand today? The chances are against it. Of course, class will tell, out class doesn't always win out, and the opening game counts just as heavily any other game on the schedule when the time comes for a final summing in the percentage column. Ask the average baseball manager whom he is going pitch tomorrow and he will probably tell you that he has a ball game to win today. It is today's game he must win if he can, and although the smart manager/figures ahead, he never loses sight of the importance of every game and ery series. It's the early bird that gets the worm, and the jump in a pennant ace means much to the club that gets it.

WITH due-respect to the Giants, White Sox and Red Sox-three great ball clubs-it seems only fair to say that on late season showings there are other fish in the big league pond who look just as strong, and who probably would stack up on a par in a world's series with any of

Three Straight for Red Sox Over Macks

Red Sox showed little mercy for the Mackmen and swept three straight. champions were benefited by some excellent pitching, and in three games made only fourteen hits; five each off Leonard and Shore and a m Foster. Foster twirled ball similar to that he served up in the World's 1915. He also showed that he had not lost his batting eye, which was in the clash with the Phils, by hammering out two singles and a double. d fox pained a game on the White Sox in the last two days and now as by six games. The Mackmen have fallen deeper in the cellar. THE 17TH HOLE AT SIWANOY



BIG BICYCLE RACE OFF; SEASON OVER

Carman-Lawrence Special Event, Scheduled for Tonight, Is Canceled

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U. S. SOLDIERS IN FRANCE TO GET BASEBALL SCORES

World's Series Games Will Be Cabled to Pershing's Men Somewhere

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WALTER N. STEVENSON AND HIS GOLF FAMILY ISSUE CHALLENGE TO MR. AND MRS. M'KEE AND THEIR FAMILY

Another Chance and It Is Up to Des Moines. Merion's Long Roll of Honor

of free Moines, in, defeated J. Franklin Mechan, of Philadelphia, at golf. I feel that Philadelphia should have another change, and I would therefore challenge McKee to a match, to be played under the same enablence as their rethis month? We are members of the tion Golf coun, of Philadelphia, thoring that this march can be alreaded, I am,

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SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

By LOUIS H. JAFFE --

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With the opening of the National tonight the boxing season in Philndelphia is in full bloom, with Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday hours weekly. Another big chib is to enter the local field, the said

Evening Ledger Decisions

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Johnny Mayo's first bout of the season will be a Cleveland. He is to meet Tousier Romey a benevound match the latter part of the lout.

Charley White is anxious to box Benny Leon and. So are a lot of other fellows. They don't salize how tucky they are that the champ refuses to meet them.

Bala Player Thinks Philadelphia Should Have Harris, Clayer Albard, Albard School, Albard, Alba

deorge. Bob and Charlie Hoffner. What a natch it would be between the Hoffners and the Smiths? There are other golfing families, but these give an idea of what the bunker from Des Moines has in store for him.

129 on Honor Roll The Merion Cricket Club, like most

of the other large clubs, Issuea a club-local each month. One of the most inter-esting things in it for September is the coll of honor of the members of the Merion this more the way of Philadelidia, Henning that this march can be attrigged, I are, Yours very truly,

A telegram was sent to Mr. McKoo acquainting him with the challenge, and a favorable reply is expected shortly, particularly as Mr. McKoo has gone on record that he and his family are not afraid of that he and his family

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FIVE MACKMEN ENGAGED JUST NOW IN HECTIC STRUGGLE FOR THE TEAM LEADERSHIP WITH THE WILLOW

Bodie and McInnis Tied at .300, With Strunk. Haley and Schang at Their Heels-Cravath Heads National in Home Runs

THE week's figures setting forth the comparative swatting positions of the play-Lers in the two big leagues shows nothing of interest in a general way inas. much as Ty Cobb and Eddie Roush still are moving along under wraps in their respective organizations, certainly without a real chance of the former being overtaken. The Tiger demon slugger is progressing at a .385 gait, while the Cincinnati

The big feature of local interest in the matter of batting is the closeness in standing of no fewer than five members of Connie Mack's team. Bodle and McInnis are hanging on the ower crust of polite society with an even 300. But Strunk, Haley and Schang are so hot in pursuit of the ,300 mark that seven points contain within their scope the averages of all. Any one of the five may be ahead

George Whitted now is topping Pat Moran's men. The Bull Durham repreentative's mark denotes the sad fact that not a man in the National outfit is among the hitting clite. Killefer is seven points under Whitted, with .253, while Gayvy Cravath is two points behind him. Gavvy leads the league in home runs with eleven.

Philadelphia now leads the Tener circuit in club fielding.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

RECORDS of the major leagues below include games played on Wednesday. tively, follow: Eddie Roush, Cincinnati, 345; Rogers Hornsby, St. Louis, 328; Heinie Grob, Cincinnati, 312; Henny Kauff, New York, 398; Max Carey, Pittstorgh, 301; Ty Cobb, Detroit, 385; George Sisier, St. Louis, 354; Tris Speaker, leveland, .348; Happy Felsch, Chicago, .314; Duffy Lewis, Boston, .306,

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